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Kilronan Parish Newsletter

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Enjoy the little things in life,
because one day, you will
look back and realise they
were the big things.



The Fourth Sunday of Advent

We hear very little about Joseph in the Gospels and he is sometimes a forgotten figure in the Jesus story, yet his decision to follow God's call is hugely important as he fulfils his promise to protect Mary from danger. Joseph's 'yes' to God sets him on a dangerous path. He must protect his family and this will mean later leaving their homeland, becoming refugees fleeing the terror of Herod.

Each time God speaks to Joseph, it is through his dreams. The Word of God which comes to Joseph gives him a new meaning and a new mission in life.

Today, can you reflect on how God speaks to you? In what ways do you hear God's word? And when you hear God's word, what is your response? When you have said 'yes', where has that led you? Today we can pray for those who are faced with tough decisions and who must choose the more difficult path. It requires strength and bravery. (From Intercom - by Jane Mellot)

Anniversary Masses, Keadue.

Sat. 17th Annie, Tom & Jim Walsh

Sun. 18th Hugh & Mary, Peggy & Mary Guihen
Joseph & Elizabeth Gaffney, Bodorragha

Anniversary Masses, Ballyfarnon.

Sat. 17th Vincent Gilhooly & D.M.F.

Weekday Masses: Monday, Keadue 10a.m. Tuesday, Arigna 10a.m. Wednesday, Keadue 11.30a.m. Thursday, Keadue 10a.m. Friday Ballyfarnon 10a.m.

Christmas Masses: Christmas Eve, Ballyfarnon 8p.m. and Keadue 10.30p.m.
Christmas Day, Arigna 10.30a.m. and Keadue 12noon.

Parish Choir Practice for Christmas, Thursday 9 -10 p.m. New members welcome.

Penance Services for Christmas.


Monday 19th Dec: Drumcong @ 8pm.

Tuesday 20th Dec: Drumshanbo @ 7.30pm;

Wednesday 21st Dec: Carrick @ 8pm;

Thursday 22nd Dec: Keadue @ 7.30pm.

Adoration Before the Blessed Sacrament: There will be no Adoration in Keadue on Monday 26th December 2016 and also on Monday 2nd January 2017.

 **Congratulations and best wishes** to Orla Whelan, Donaghmede and Stephen Healy, Donaghmede, who were married in Keadue Church on Friday 16th December 2016. Also to Elaine Mellotte, Drumcondra and David O'Sullivan, Drumcondra, who were married in Keadue Church on Saturday 17th December 2016.

St. Patrick's Church, Ballyfarnon. The interior painting of the inside of the Church, the electrical work and carpeting of the nave and porch are completed. The Gallery and the Sanctuary will be completed during the week. Mass will be celebrated in Ballyfarnon Church this evening at the usual time of 8.30p.m.

Moving Crib this Sunday 18th from 4pm to 6pm in front of St Mary's Church, Carrick-on-Shannon. Prayers at 5.15pm.

Anniversary Masses Arigna

Sun 18th Rose Ann Mulhern.

Tues. 20th Martin McPadden

Sun.25th Josephine & Michael Cassidy.
Michael, Mary B. and James Earley

Rest in Peace

Edward Hanafin, Lispole, Kerry,
brother in law of Bríd McMorro, Keadue.
Paddy McCaffrey, Rossinver, Co. Leitrim.

Ballyfarnon: Minister of Holy Communion: Sat 17th. Nuala McNamara. Reader: Sat 17th. Margaret Killoran. Altar Society: Caroline Bruen & Fiona Lynam. Collectors: Peter Kerrigan & P.J. Healy. Grounds: Martin McNamara, Michael Kerrigan. Offertory Collection, €540.00.

Arigna: Minister of Holy Communion: Sun 18th. Sean Guihen, Margaret McPadden, Reader: Sun 18th. Brian Flannery. Altar Society: Amanda & Grace McPartland. Offertory Collections, €740.00.

Keadue: Ministers of Holy Communion: Sat 17th. Paul Kelly. Sun 18th Brendan Kelly: Readers: Sat. 17th Arthur/Rosaleen Boyle, Sun. 18th. Elizabeth McCabe. Collectors: Sat. 17th. Paul Kelly. Sun. 18th. Tommy Daly. Altar Society: Imelda McCabe, Stephanie McCabe, Rita McGreevy, Joan Connolly. Grounds: Patrick McManus, Sean McDonagh. Offertory Collections, €915.00.

St Ronan's Lotto: There was no winner of the lotto jackpot when the draw took place at the weekend. The numbers drawn were 4,8,16 and 29. Consolation prizes were won by the following €70 Una McEvoy, Ardcolm, €30 Connie McKenna, Mount Allen, €15 each Eileen Carty, Arigna, Emma Shivan, Ballyfarnon, Tracy Conlon, Geevagh. The jackpot next week will be €11,100 and the draw will be held in Roddy's.

St Ronan's GAA Club: AGM Sunday 18th December 2016 at 8pm in the portacabin at our grounds. All members are welcome to attend. The annual James Keaveny Memorial Cup takes place on New Years Day at 2pm in Kilronan Park Ballyfarnon.

Bonus Ball Bash: Last week's winners of €45 were Pauric Noone & Leona Bruen. Get your €2 entry at The Harp & Shamrock or O'Donnell's.

Keadue Sportsfield are holding a 8 km fun run/ walk on St. Stephen's Day. Registration at 11.30 am in St. Ronan's Hall Keadue. Run/Walk commencing at 12 noon.

Breffni Players are Staging two one act Hilarious Comedies; "The Last Tango in Carrick" and "The Last Panto in Carrick" by David Tristram; Directed by Pat Reid, in the Dock Carrick-on-Shannon on Tuesday 20th and Wednesday 21st at 8.30p.m.

Meeting of St Ronans Hall Committee will be held on Monday Night 19th Dec. at 8pm.

Epilepsy Ireland Church Collection on Saturday 17th Dec. and Sunday 18th Dec.

Mass in St. Patricks Church, Ballyfarnon on Tuesday 20th December at 1:30 pm. Pupils from Ballyfarnon N.S. will participate in the Mass. All are welcome.

Christmas Mass with participation of pupils from Keadue School at 11.30p.m on Wednesday 21st December in Keadue Church. Everyone welcome. Refreshments and Christmas Draw in Keadue School afterwards.

Bishop Francis Duffy, wishes to thank the parishioners of Kilronan Parish for your generous support of the 2016 National Collection for the World Meeting of Families. A total of €23,077.00 was contributed by the parishes of this diocese.

Keadue Social Services celebrated Christmas 2016 last Wednesday, 7th December. Sincere thanks to our raffle sponsors. Thanks to all our staff. Our first newsletter is now available here in the centre or in the local shops. Julie Dockery, Manager, Keadue Social Services. 071 964 7777 or 086 174 9816